GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:555
ANSWERED ON:04.05.2000
OUTSTANDING AMOUNT OF RAILWAYS AGAINST SEBS .
ANANTRAO GUDHE

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of Railways outstanding against the State Electricity Boards as on March 31,2000 for carrying coal, State Electricity Board-wise; and

(b) the details of steps taken by the Government to realise the outstanding amount?

Answer

MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (KUMARI MAMATA BANERJEE)

(a) & (b) A statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION No.555 BY SHRI AI GUDHE, TO BE ANSWERED ON 04.05.2000 REGARDING OUTSTANDING AMOUNT OF RAILWAYS AGAINST SEBs.

(a) The position as on 31.03.2000 is as under:

(Rs. in Crore)

Name of State Electricity Board/Power Houses	Outstanding dues as on 31.03.2000
1. Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board	12.06
2. Assam State Electricity Board	-
3. Bihar State Electricity Board	0.37
4. Delhi Vidyut Board	118
5. Gujarat State Electricity Board	9.54
6. Haryana State Electricity Board	88.74
7 Karnataka State Electricity Board	0.02
8. Maharashtra State Electricity Board	6.58
9. Madhya Pradesh State Electricity Board	2.21
10. Punjab State Electricity Board	74.00
11. Rajasthan State Electricity Board	20.65
12. Tamilnadu State Electricity Board	6.66
13. Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board	0.01
14. West Bengal State Electricity Board	6.49
15. Badarpur Thermal Power Station	955.00
16. National Thermal Power Corporation	16.12
17. Damodar Valley Corporation	4.92
18. Private Power House Sabarmati	0.44
TOTAL	1321.81

Note: The figures of Outstanding are provisional as accounts for 1999-2000 are yet to be closed.

(b) The steps taken by the Railways to realise the outstanding dues from State Electricity Boards and Power Houses include:

1. Implementation of various schemes of `Prepayment of Freight` for carriage of Coal booked to Power Houses w.e.f. 01.10.1996.

2. State Electricity Boards and Power Houses which fail to observe the conditions of `Prepayment of Freight` as also payment of current freight are closely monitored by the Zonal Railways and regular meetings are held with senior officials of State Electricity Boards and Power Houses.

3. Pursuant to Government`s decision on 07.02.1997 that the outstanding dues from State Electricity Boards and Power Houses as on 31.12.1996 would be adjusted from the Central Plan Assistance of the State Governments subject to certain limits, an amount of Rs.116.93 crores has been received by Railways upto 31.03.2000.

4. Adjustment of outstanding amounts from State Electricity Boards against traction bills in respect of Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board, West Bengal State Electricity Board, Andhra Pradesh State Electricity Board and Haryana State Electricity Board.

5. Ministry of Railways has approached Ministry of Power, Ministry of Finance and Govt. of NCT, Delhi at various levels for clearance of outstanding dues of Badarpur Thermal Power Station. Based on indications given by the Ministry of Power, a target of clearance of Rs.500 Crore has been provided for in the Budget Estimates 2000-2001.